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FOR:	PANTS-TYPE DISPOSABLE WEARING ARTICLE

Enclosed are:

- 44 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 15 sheets of formal drawings
- Declaration & Power of Attorney
- Claim of Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 and Certified copy of Japanese Priority Document
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